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SUBJ: ROME CENTRE MEETING

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1. IN RESPONSE TO A DEMARCHE BY AN EMBOFF ON APRIL 2, THE FRG FONOFF OFFICER IN CHARGE OF MULTILATERAL CULTURAL AFFAIRS, HERGT, STATED HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY INSTRUCT THE FRG DELEGATION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ROME CENTRE TO VOTE FOR PAUL PERROT TO BE SEATED ON THE COUNCIL. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT THE FRG DELEGATES IN THE COUNCIL AND THE ASSEMBLY WOULD SUPPORT ANY US INITIATIVE TO HAVE THE ROME CENTRE ADOPT THE 25 PERCENT CEILING PRINCIPLE.

2. THE FRG DELEGATE TO THE GENERAL ASSMEBLY IS PROF. WERNER BORNHEIM, CHIEF CURATOR FOR THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY FOR RHINELAND- PALATINATE. HERGT INDICATED THAT BORNHEIM CARRIES CONSIDERABLE WEIGHT AMONG THE DELEGATIONS TO THE ROME CENTRE MEETING AND COULD BE COUNTED ON TO ASSIST THE USDEL IN ENLISTING SUPPORT FOR THE TWO OBJECTIVES OUTLINED

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IN REFTEL.

3. J. TAUBERT, CHIEF CURATOR FOR THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY, LAND BAVARIA, WILL AGAIN BE A CANDIDATE FOR THE COUNCIL, ON WHICH HE HAS SAT FOR SEVERAL YEARS, AND CAN BE COUNTED ON TO ASSIST THE USDEL IN PERSUADING THE COUNCIL TO RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE 25 PERCENT CEILING RULE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. THERE WILL BE NO OTHER FRG DELEGATES TO SUBJECT MEETING.

4. FYI, HERGT IS OF THE OPINION THAT SETTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ROME CENTRE AT ONE PERCENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNESCO CREATES AN UNHEALTHY BUDGETARY SITUATION FOR THE ROME CENTRE, SINCE IT POTENTIALLY PLACES THE CENTRE IN THE POSITION OF OBTAINING MORE MONEY THAN IT CAN SPEND AS THE UNESCO BUDGET INCREASES. HE PROPOSES THAT CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO DOING AWAY WITH THIS PROVISION.

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